

ment of this Act is only discovered after such date of enactment to have been made contrary to such contractual provisions or to said clause (d).

SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to amend any contract, which has been entered into prior to the date of enactment of this Act, to conform with the provisions of the first section of this Act. The consent of the United States is hereby given to the recording, at the expense of the party benefited thereby, of any such amended contract and to the simultaneous discharge of record of the original contract. The consent of the United States is likewise given to the discharge of record, at the expense of the party benefited thereby, of any contract which the Secretary of the Interior or his duly authorized agent finds is rendered nugatory by the enactment of this Act.

Approved August 9, 1955.

## Public Law 278

## CHAPTER 638

## AN ACT

August 9, 1955  
[S. 2087]

To amend the Act of May 19, 1947 (ch. 80, 61 Stat. 102), as amended, so as to permit per capita payments to the individual members of the Shoshone Tribe and the Arapahoe Tribe of the Wind River Reservation in Wyoming, to be made quarterly.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 3 of the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the segregation and expenditure of trust funds held in joint ownership by the Shoshone and Arapahoe Tribes of the Wind River Reservation" approved May 19, 1947 (ch. 80, 61 Stat. 102), as amended, is hereby amended by striking the words "and the first day of March" wherever it appears therein, and inserting in lieu thereof "the first day of December, the first day of March, and the first day of June".

Approved August 9, 1955.

Shoshone and  
Arapahoe Tribes.  
Per capita pay-  
ments.  
25 USC 613.

## Public Law 279

## CHAPTER 639

## AN ACT

August 9, 1955  
[S. 2297]

To further amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 312 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended (7 U. S. C. 1312), is hereby amended to read as follows:

SEC. 312. (a) The Secretary shall, not later than December 1 of any marketing year, proclaim a national marketing quota for any kind of tobacco for each of the next three succeeding marketing years whenever he determines with respect to such kind of tobacco—

(1) that a national marketing quota has not previously been proclaimed and the total supply as of the beginning of such marketing year exceeds the reserve supply level therefor;

(2) that such marketing year is the last year of three consecutive years for which marketing quotas previously proclaimed will be in effect;

(3) that amendments have been made in provisions for establishing farm acreage allotments which will cause material revision of such allotments before the end of the period for which quotas are in effect; or

Tobacco market-  
ing quotas.  
52 Stat. 46.

(4) that a marketing quota previously proclaimed for such marketing year is not in effect because of disapproval by producers in a referendum held pursuant to subsection (c): *Provided*, That if such producers have disapproved national marketing quotas in referenda held in three successive years subsequent to 1952, thereafter a national marketing quota shall not be proclaimed hereunder which would be in effect for any marketing year within the three-year period for which national marketing quotas previously proclaimed were disapproved by producers in a referendum, unless prior to November 10 of the marketing year one-fourth or more of the farmers engaged in the production of the crop of tobacco harvested in the calendar year in which such marketing year begins petition the Secretary, in accordance with such regulations as he may prescribe, to proclaim a national marketing quota for each of the next three succeeding marketing years.

(b) The Secretary shall also determine and announce, prior to the first day of December, the amount of the national marketing quota proclaimed pursuant to subsection (a) which is in effect for the next marketing year in terms of the total quantity of tobacco which may be marketed which will make available during such marketing year a supply of tobacco equal to the reserve supply level. The amount of the national marketing quota so announced may, not later than the following March 1, be increased by not more than 20 per centum if the Secretary determines that such increase is necessary in order to meet market demands or to avoid undue restrictions of marketings in adjusting the total supply to the reserve supply level.

(c) Within thirty days after the proclamation of national marketing quotas under subsection (a), the Secretary shall conduct a referendum of farmers engaged in the production of the crop of tobacco harvested immediately prior to the holding of the referendum to determine whether such farmers are in favor of or opposed to such quotas for the next three succeeding marketing years. If more than one-third of the farmers voting oppose the national marketing quotas, such results shall be proclaimed by the Secretary and the national marketing quotas so proclaimed shall not be in effect but such results shall in no wise affect or limit the subsequent proclamation and submission to a referendum, as otherwise provided in this section, of a national marketing quota.

Approved August 9, 1955.

Public Law 280

CHAPTER 640

AN ACT

August 9, 1955  
[S. 2081]

To amend the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952 to provide that education and training allowances paid to veterans pursuing institutional on-farm training shall not be reduced for twelve months after they have begun their training.

Veterans.  
Institutional on-  
farm training.  
66 Stat. 668.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the first sentence of subsection (d) of section 232 of the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952 (38 U. S. C., sec. 942) is hereby amended to read as follows: "The education and training allowance of an eligible veteran pursuing institutional on-farm training shall be computed at the rate of (1) \$95 per month, if he has no dependent, or (2) \$110 per month, if he has one dependent, or (3) \$130 per month, if he has more than one dependent: except that his education and training allowance shall